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Newhart

Steber

Newhart and Steber will Headline Dinner Program

Satirist Bob Newhart and opera star Eleanor Steber will headline the entertainment program for the 22nd OPC Annual Awards Dinner next Fri., April 14, at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel.

In announcing the program this week, Ben Grauer, dinner committee chairman, said there would be an interlude of songs by Miss Steber, one of America's best-loved Metropolitan Opera stars.

Newhart, whom he described as "the nation's newest comedy star, famed for his pungent wit and satire," will deliver a commentary on the international journalistic scene.

JOT THESE DATES ON YOUR

CALENDAR



Fri., April 11 - Book Night - James A. Michener: CANCELLED.
(See box above.)

Fri., April 14 - Annual Awards Dinner at Waldorf-Astoria. Reception, 6:30 p.m. in the West Foyer. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom.

Reminder: All programs after April 15 will be held in the new building, 54 West 40th Street.

Tues., April 18 - Open House: Presidential Campaigns, 1912-1960. Frank K. Kelly, John Day, Steve Fitzgerald, others. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m.

Fri., April 28 - Annual Meeting. Time: 8:00 p.m., directly following the dinner. All members invited.

Fri., May 19 - OPC Charter Flight to Paris. June 18 - Return from London.

WEAVER vs CBS: PHOTO FINISH?

"K" Bangs Shoe - Castro Bangs U.S. - JFK Bangs Head - Rusk in Bangkok.

Whatever the headline, the *OPC Bulletin* had its own explosion following Peter Weaver's jab at CBS in his Mexico story which appeared March 18.

CBS was quick to deny (Mar. 25) that its news personnel had recruited "a bunch of grinning, or even scowling Mexican boys to march up and down in front of CBS News cameras shouting 'Cuba si, Yanqui no!'" and asked that the story be retracted.

The following week (April 1), a cable from Weaver was quoted: "I have no intention agreeing to any retraction," and added that he had "statements from three correspondents" on the scene backing up "our story." CBS again replied "that

there was no truth to the charge."

Meanwhile, back at the *Bulletin* office, cables, letters and telephone calls piled up. Topping the list was a letter from Weaver himself: "... in reporting just what happened I certainly had no intention of harming CBS, a fine outfit. I happen to know that this kind of thing has been worked by other news outfits in Cuba and Central America. It was the practice of 'rigging' stories that I wrote against, not CBS. As I did not directly witness the CBS event, I counted on the following witnesses whom I trust as being people of integrity: Paul Kennedy, *New York Times*; Diana Kennedy (his wife); Marion Wilhelm, *Christian Science Monitor*; Dave Weber, group of Texas papers; John Alius, UPI; and, indirectly, Geoffrey Thursby, *London Daily Express*, Moe Levy, NBC cameraman and Harvey Rosenhouse, *Time*."

And a letter from John Alius... "Not having been there at the start, it is im-

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

The James A. Michener Book Night originally scheduled for Tues., April 11 has been postponed until further notice. Michener had to leave for Spain suddenly last week.

MOVE TO NEW HQ APR. 15;
RED-LETTER DAY FOR OPC

By John de Lorenzi, New Building Committee

The red-letter day in the history of the Overseas Press Club is Sat., April 15. That's the day we move into our new 11-story headquarters at 54 West 40th Street, overlooking Bryant Park.

The move will give us the elbow room we need and space for future expansion of Club facilities. We will have a slightly larger main dining room (on the second floor), a much larger bar (first floor), a modern kitchen directly adjoining the dining room and capable of handling service to other floors through a dumbwaiter and freight elevator, a spacious tenth-floor reception room, and space for an expanded Memorial Library, a press conference room, a radio studio, Club offices, and possibly a projection room. There are also a half-dozen banquet rooms, including a large third-floor room, which can be used as auxiliary dining

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CONSIDINE REPORTS -

"The important thing about the Eichman case is that the story will be told to all nations," to have a sobering effect on the youth of the world and mankind in general," said Bob Considine, at a crowded Open House April 4.

Considine, back from a trip to Europe and Israel to write a background story on the trial for Hearst Headline Service, began his report with a visit to the site of the former Nazi concentration camp at Dachau. There he met a nun leading a class of youngsters on a tour of what amounts to a museum of unbelievable horrors. "We insist that our children come out here after the fourth grade so

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Bob Considine, center, discusses Eichmann trial at April 4 Open House with John Luter, left, and James Sheldon.

WM. FRYE DIES AT 53

William Frye, former public information director for the Dept. of Defense, died in Washington, March 30, of a heart attack, at the age of 53.

Frye was formerly a reporter for AP in Nashville, Tenn., and Washington. During World War II he was a correspondent in Europe for *Stars & Stripes*. He had held various Government positions after the war, and was named head of the Armed Services Publicity Bureau by Secretary James V. Forrestal in March, 1949. Frye resigned in February, 1960, to accept a post on the staff of the European Coordinating Committee of the Military Aid Program in London. For a time he was NBC correspondent in Europe.

Frye was the author of two books: "Marshall: Citizen Soldier," a biography dealing with Gen. George C. Marshall's Army career, and "A United Nations Peace Force."

As chairman of the OPC Special Events Committee, Frye had sent a personal letter to Club president John Luter two weeks ago apologizing for the fact that his illness had kept him from being more active on his committee. He had asked Luter to give his "warm regards" to the OPC staff and members.

Frye resided in White Plains, N.Y. He is survived by his widow, two sons and a daughter.

MOVING (Cont'd from page 1)

rooms (or rented out for private parties) to help keep the Club finances in the black.

The move into the new headquarters is being handled by the House Operations Committee, augmented by additional Club members. The bar, and possibly the usual buffet, will be ready for business in the new quarters on April 15. The Club will be in full operation on 40th Street by Mon., April 17.

President John Luter is making plans for a progressive housewarming. It probably will start with cocktails in the old Clubhouse as a sentimental farewell. Members will then move on to the new building for a fully catered party.

Though the new building is fully equipped, major problems face us. It must be air-conditioned and repaired. The Board already has authorized \$60,000 for repairs, including renovation of elevators, and the necessary engineering before we can install proper air-conditioning.

A start also has been made, after lengthy consultation with architects, contractors and air-conditioning experts, on the long-range plans that, when carried out, will give the OPC the finest facilities of any press club in the world.

We are proceeding cautiously on major renovations to give members an opportunity to become familiar with the building and to study the projected plans.

WEAVER (Cont'd from page 1)

possible for me to back up Pete's report that the CBS crew deliberately rounded up the youths and incited them to yell for the camera. I got there only after the yelling started. However, that part of Pete's cable referring to the comments of the CBS man operating apart from the sound-equipped crew, is correct."

Paul Kennedy writes that he passed in a cab and noticed what he assumed to be a CBS camera crew with a group of Mexican students. "Later my wife, a Britisher, remarked on what she considered the 'strange' methods of American television. She had parked our car across from Independence Monument with Marion Wilhelm and Geoffrey Thursby. While they were looking, one of the TV crew went among the group and began gesticulating...she reported that the group repeated the gestures and began chanting 'Cuba si, Yanqui no!' Then the CBS camera began recording the scene."

Marion Wilhelm wrote, "Peter Weaver is correct...I saw the CBS crew stage the anti-U.S.-slogan-fest not once but twice, filming 10 to 15 youths on cue after the main body of leftists had left the Independence Monument quietly."

David Weber reports..."we saw perhaps a dozen students cheerfully running through the slogan...grouped in front of a CBS camera which was rolling."

To all this and other letters on file, Blair Clark, General Manager and VP of CBS News replied, "I would like to make three final—and I hope they are final—points in the Mexican story. (1) The *OPC Bulletin* reporter was not present at the scene; (2) the witnesses were too far away to hear what was happening; and (3) there is not and never has been any such film in existence, since our camera was not rolling during the alleged incident."

Bruno Shaw, in a letter to the editor, invites both contenders (Weaver and CBS) to a drink at the Club providing "you'll agree to shake hands and come out grinning."

CONSIDINE (Cont'd from page 1)

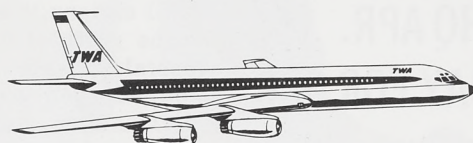
that they can learn what happens to man when he tries to live without God," she explained.

One difficulty is to make clear the enormity of the crimes charged, the speaker said. "I might have suggested that instead of being tried for the murder of six million—which sounds like a statistic—Eichmann be tried for the murder of one Jew—say Anne Frank—so that all could understand."

The evening marked the last Open House program to be held in the 39th St. Clubhouse. Next program in the series will be on April 18 in the new building.

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1961 OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB ELECTION INFORMATION

OPC Annual Meeting On Apr. 28 To See 1961-62 Officers Elected

The 1961 Annual Meeting of the Overseas Press Club of America, Inc., will be held on Friday evening, Apr. 28, at the Clubhouse, starting at 8:00 p.m.

This year, we are to elect a President, three Vice Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and seven members of the Board of Governors. The first four runners-up (after all vacancies on the Board have been filled) will be designated as Alternates.

This section contains biographical information and pictures of each candidate for offices. (C) following each name designates nomination by the Nominating Committee; there were no nominations by petition this year.

Ballots have been sent to all Active members by mail (air mail, if abroad). Each ballot was accompanied by an official return envelope, bearing a serial number. A letter of voting instructions was also included.

IF YOU VOTE BY MAIL, YOU MUST USE THE OFFICIAL RETURN ENVELOPE — otherwise your ballot cannot be counted. This is required by the By-Laws. (The envelopes will be destroyed before any ballot is counted.)

Ballots may also be cast in person by depositing them in the official ballot box during the first hour of the Annual Meeting, or by delivering them to the Clubhouse and placing them in the ballot box prior to the meeting (but in this case they must be enclosed in the official envelope).

JUDGES OF THE ELECTION

For President: Hal Lehrman (C)



Foreign affairs writer since 1934; roving correspondent since 1945; OPC Founder Member (card #9); Vice-President (1957).
Pre-1942: AP (Paris); Asst. Foreign Ed. Newsweek; Cable Ed. *Havas*; Nite Telegraph Ed. *NY News*. Wartime chief OWI, Turkey. 1945-59: Frequent overseas tours for: *Fortune*, *NY Times*, *Reader's Digest*, *Reporter*, NEA, *NY Post*, *Wall St. Jnl*, *Coronet*, *Toronto Star*, *London Daily Express*. Contributor: *Life*, *Harper's*, *Vogue*, etc., also French, Swiss, German papers. Book reviewer: *NY Times*, *Herald-Trib*. Two Guggenheim fellowships, Council on Foreign Relations fellowship, Geo. Polk Memorial Award, OPC Citation. Author of three books on Europe, Middle East.

OPC: Active since 1939; four terms Board; Committees: Freedom of Press, Overseas Members, Liaison (chmn.), Library (co-chmn.). Chapters in four OPC books, also TV series; speaker or chmn, numerous Club panels.

"This will be a decisive year. Our fine new quarters give us space. Let's work for stature, too — for a professional Press Club where every writer and returning correspondent will feel at home; where every top foreign leader will naturally gravitate for his first press conference; where news-making programs and events all contribute to the enrichment of our field, to the welfare and status of correspondents old and new, here and abroad. More than ever, the Presidency will demand hard work, long hours. Self-employed, I would be able, for the traditional 1-year term, to do the job full-time. The opportunity for useful service would be an honor and privilege.

For President: John Luter (C)



Now President of the Overseas Press Club and Press Editor of *Newsweek*. Eight years as full-time foreign correspondent (for *Time-Life*) in Italy, Middle East, Southeast Asia, Japan, Pacific Theater. 22 years as staff newsman for *Newsweek*, CBS News, *Time-Life*, *Washington Star*, *San Antonio Light*. Educated in economics and law. As OPC President, a working on-the-scene president, at Clubhouse six days out of seven. Directed negotiations leading to sale of Club's

5-story quarters for \$675,000 and purchase debt-free of 11-story Club building for \$600,000.

"We are in the midst of moving into our new building. Months have been spent in planning its renovation and use and the many other steps necessary to our establishment and successful operation of a true World Press Center. It has been my privilege as your president to direct this planning closely, I am running for re-election on the sole basis that continuity now is important and I feel a responsibility to see the project through. I would appreciate your support."

"The OPC has made progress this year in service to its members and its reputation as an organization of professional newsmen. We have great opportunity in the year ahead to advance these gains, to greatly expand services to overseas members and visiting foreign newsmen, to make the Club even more of a news center, to broaden its professional activities through the new OPC Foundation, and to develop our Club — as well as the new Clubhouse — into one of which we can be increasingly proud."

For Vice President: Lawrence Blochman (C)



Blochman's overseas journalistic career stretches nearly 40 years from Tokyo (*Japan Advertiser*, 1921) to Paris (*American Weekly* assignment, 1959). It includes service in Shanghai, Hong Kong, Manila, Calcutta, Paris (*Chicago Tribune* and *Paris Times*), and Guatemala (*N.Y. Herald-Trib*). On the home front was editor of the *Daily Californian* (Berkeley) and served the *San Diego Sun*, *Evening Tribune*, and the San Francisco Bureau of the UP. Except

for the war years and 40 weeks in Hollywood, has been freelancing since 1929. He has written ten mystery novels, four non-fiction volumes, several hundred published novelettes and short stories (*SEP*, *Colliers*, *Argosy*, *American*, *Ellery Queen's*, etc., 6 movies, numerous radio and TV programs.

In World War II, served with the Overseas Branch, OWI (New York, Washington, San Francisco, Paris, Brussels, Luxembourg and Algiers) and as interim director of ABSIE (American Broadcasting Station in Europe) in London, 1944-5). Currently translating his 15th book from the French, and is also an editor at *Business International*.

An OPC member for 20 years, Blochman served six terms on the Board of Governors and was Vice President in 1956-7. Currently is co-chairman of the Regional Dinners Committee and Vice-Chairman of the House Operations Committee. Previously chaired the Hospitality Committee and served on numerous Awards Dinner Committees, the Admissions Committee.

Contributor to two OPC anthologies, Author-editor of OPC's Bar Guide, *Here's How!* (1957).

For Vice President: John Day (C)



Currently First Vice President of the OPC. Chairman of its Freedom of the Press Committee for three years. Chairman of the 1960 Awards Committee and member of that committee in 1959. Member of the Board of Governors before being elected Vice President last year.

Worked as a newspaperman for nearly 20 years. Head of the news department of CBS News from January 1, 1955, to February, 1961.

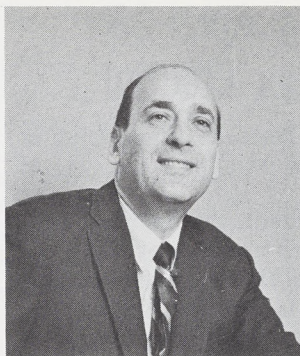
Graduate University of Kentucky. AB in Journalism, 1935. Since then has been Assistant Managing Editor, *Newark (N.J.) Star-Ledger*; Managing Editor, *Dayton (Ohio) Daily News* and *Louisville Courier-Journal*. Worked both as an overseas and a Washington correspondent.

Before joining the *Courier-Journal* staff in 1948, worked on *Lexington (Ky) Leader*; with Associated Press in Kentucky, West Virginia; in Office of War Information; in *Cleveland Press* and *Dayton News*.

Author of *Bloody Ground* (Doubleday). Nieman Fellow at Harvard, 1942-43.

During newspaper career was member of American Society of Newspaper Editors and the Associated Press Managing Editors Association. Served on various Committees in those organizations.

For Vice President: Jess Gorkin (C)



Editor of *Parade Magazine*, nationally syndicated Sunday magazine for the last 13 years. Previously was Managing Editor for 2 years.

During World War II was with the Overseas Branch of the Office of War Information. Originated and edited a picture magazine for friendly and occupied countries.

Began career in pictorial journalism with *Look Magazine* in 1937 when it was three issues old. After five years resigned this position to join the O.W.I.

Graduated from the University of Iowa in 1936 and was editor of an Iowa daily for one year.

Awards include a citation from the Overseas Press Club and the Christophers in 1956 for a report on the Soviet Union; Veterans of Foreign Wars Medal of Merit; George Washington Medal from the Freedoms Foundation.

Member of the Advisory Committee for the Golden Key Awards, National Education Association; Sigma Delta Chi.

Chairman of Who's Who of Overseas Press Club, 1958-1959 edition; Co-chairman Bulletin Committee; Board of Governors (alternate); Awards Committee.

For Vice President: Mary Hornaday (C)



Born in Washington, D.C. of a newspaper family. Graduated, Swarthmore College with high honors.

Immediately upon graduation joined *The Christian Science Monitor's* Washington staff. Covered general political and economic assignments in Washington during Coolidge, Hoover and Roosevelt administrations. Was President, Women's National Press Club, 1936-37 and first chairman, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt's White House

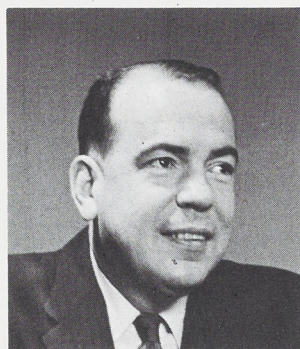
press conference. Traveled with Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek's special train during her American visit and covered half a dozen national political conventions.

In 1946-47, spent a year in post-war Europe, attached to London office of the *Monitor*. Traveled to Germany, France, Italy, Austria, Greece and Yugoslavia. Covered constituent meeting of the United Nations in London, 1946. In 1947-48 headed *Monitor's* West Coast bureau, covering 11 western states.

Transferred to New York in 1948 where have remained ever since covering United Nations, citizens movements, the Communist trials and interviewing foreign visitors.

In 1950 was one of three American women chosen as goodwill Ambassadors to Switzerland by the American Society for Friendship with Switzerland. Visited U.S.S.R., summer 1960. Decorated by King Paul of Greece, 1960, with the Order of Beneficence for work done in connection with the last visit of Queen Frederika to the United States.

For Vice President: Ansel E. Talbert (C)

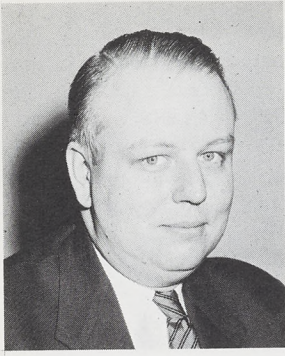


Vice President, Flight Safety Publications; commentator on Chrysler "Imperial Press Club" network program; contributor on military affairs to numerous publications; member Editorial Advisory Board of the Military Publishing Institute.

Now Vice President OPC; Co-chairman Program Coordinating Committee; former chairman Admissions and other OPC committees. 1961 Chmn. nat.mtg. Aviation/Space Writers Assoc. of No. Am.

A.B., Litt.B., M.S. Columbia University; Henry Woodward Sackett Fellow. Enlisted as private after Pearl Harbor; advanced through ranks to officer and became Lt. Colonel and Asst. to the Military Attache, American Embassy, London. Science Service correspondent 1935; N.Y. *Herald Tribune* 1936-59 as reporter, columnist, military and aviation editor. 1940-41 wrote series exposing Axis agents working secretly in United States including Dr. Kurt Rieth, Nazi Ambassador to Austria who arranged Nazi "putsch" resulting in murder of Chancellor Dulfuss, series causing immediate arrest and deportation of Rieth and others. Korean War correspondent 1950-51 until fractured leg; later assigned Soviet Union, Britain, West Europe, Africa, Far East and Australia. Volunteer on Ice Island T-3 when floating near North Pole; first newspaper correspondent to fly over both Poles. Awarded Strebig Trophy for outstanding reporting 1957; Legion of Honor with rank of Chevalier by President of France 1958; Gold Medal of Adventurers Club 1959. Holds Military Commendation Medal from U.S. for World War II service.

For Secretary: Allen Dodd (C)



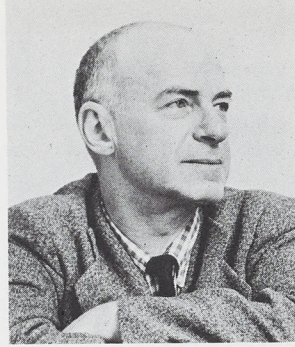
Allen R. Dodd, Jr., recently joined *Printers' Ink* as associate editor for radio and television. He was formerly London News Editor of International News Service.

Dodd, 39, was born in New York City, grew up in Connecticut, and began his newspaper career in 1940 on the *Bridgeport Telegram*. He joined International News Service in 1946 and served in the Omaha, Des Moines and Detroit bureaus. He became Hartford Bureau Manager of International News

Service in 1949, and subsequently worked on the New York cable desk for three years before going to London.

This is the first time Dodd has been a candidate for an office in the Overseas Press Club.

For Secretary: Will Yolen (C)



Will Yolen, resident poet of Hill & Knowlton, is the only kite-flying champion listed in both *Who's Who in America* as well as *OPC Who's Who*. He has been secretary longer than anyone else probably because he scrambles the files every election eve.

Yolen has held every job in club, from assistant committee chairman to assistant to the president, his present post along with his job as co-ordinator of committees and acting secretary.

As chairman of the book committee, he has been instrumental in publishing two OPC books.

He has expanded the club's reciprocal arrangements with professional press clubs throughout the world as well as in America. And he can lick anybody at the bar.

Author, dramatist, radio writer & movie scenarist, newspaperman, lousy speller and cafe journalist, he is the only one who was not begged to run for the onerous job of secretary. He volunteered. But this is the last time.

For Treasurer: Matthew A. R. Bassity (C)



Assistant Treasurer, 1959; Treasurer for 1960 Annual Awards Dinner which netted for the World Press Center Fund \$6,370 compared to \$590 in 1959 and \$372 in 1958.

Co-chairman, Public Information Committee, 1960-61; Dateline Committee, 1958, '59, '60; External Affairs Committee, 1958-59.

Senior member of Bassity & Jordan Company. Of 15 years in public relations, 10 have been either as principal of a firm specializing in corporate public relations or as head of own shop.

Newsman nine years (Newark Star-Eagle, Utica Press, Utica Observer-Dispatch, Binghamton Press, NYPA).

Combat photo officer, Army Pictorial Service 1942-46; served in ETO 1945-46.

Born Shanghai; educated England; degree in journalism, Syracuse University.

Club operations in the new building will be in the big business bracket and am convinced that it is more important than ever before that members be kept fully informed of all OPC financial affairs. We must operate on a sound fiscal basis while continuing the expansion of services to members and the program that justifies the existence of the OPC as a beneficial force in national and international communications.

For Treasurer: Will Oursler (C)



Journalist, foreign correspondent, author, lecturer and radio commentator. Served overseas more than three and a half years including Pacific War coverage and in Tokyo immediately thereafter. Participated in five major invasions. Author of 17 books plus several hundred magazine articles. Contributor to many major American publications.

Service to club: Member since 1944. Currently Acting Treasurer.

Has served on many committees in the club including: House and Hospitality, Dinner, Awards, Nominations, Overseas Liaison, Library, Hospitalized Veterans Awards, Credit, Budget and others. Current assignments in addition to duties as Acting Treasurer include Chairman Credit Committee, member Budget Committee, Chairman Hospitalized Veterans Committee, Co-Chairman Book Night Committee.

Has been concerned directly with financial affairs of the club for past five years. Chairman of Credit Committee for five years. Has a full understanding of the many complex problems of OPC finances. At a time of transition when we are moving from our present building to the new building on 40th Street, the problems faced by the Treasurer involve matters of extreme importance to the club and its future. He knows what this job is, he has been carrying on actively and successfully for some months, and believes that at this critical moment in OPC history best interests of the club will be served by a continuity of direction in this highly technical area of our club's financial responsibilities.

For Governor: William Birnie (C)



Senior editor of the Readers Digest.

Spent 1957 to 1960 as USIS press at American Embassy in Bonn, Germany. 1942 to 1957 editor and publisher of *Woman's Home Companion* and vice-president Crowell-Collier publishing company.

Born Springfield, Mass, 1910, B.A. Williams College 1931, studied German universities until 1933. Reported for Pittsfield (Mass.), *Eagle*, then joined *World-Telegram* as, successively, legman, rewrite,

features, Saturday magazine and theater editor. Joined *American Magazine* as associate editor and staff writer 1938, took over at *Companion* in 1942.

Married former Jean Whittlesey (Pittsfield), two boys in school and daughter working in London. Lives in Greens Farms, Conn., and is frequently in New York for editorial conferences, Dutch Treat meetings and other functions.

Member since 1954.

For Governor: William Brooks (C)



Background: 1918 - 1926, Reporter-Feature Writer, Sedalia (Mo.) *Capital*; Coffeerville (Kans.) *Morning News*; Parsons (Kans.) *Sun*; Kansas City (Kans.) *Kansas*; Kansas City (Mo.) *Journal*; and Kansas City (Mo.) *Star*. 1926-1940, The Associated Press in Kansas City, Washington, D.C., New York, London, Amsterdam, Paris. 1940 - 1952, Vice Pres., News and Special Events and International Relations, National Broadcasting Company. 1952 - present, New York *Daily*

News PR consultant.

Club Activities: Former member Board of Directors, Chairman of the Operations Committee which rebuilt, fitted and furnished present Overseas Press Club building. Former Chairman, Awards Committee. Member House Operations Committee. Former member Nominating Committee. Member of the Building Committee for purchase of new building.

For Governor: John D. Collins (C)



Presently picture editor The Associated Press, since 1947. Previously with *New York Times* Wide World Photos as photographer in U.S. and abroad, bureau chief in Detroit and Chicago 1931-1941.

Cameraman with Fox Movie-tone News 1929.

Chief of Mediterranean Section, Radiophoto division, Psychological Warfare Branch 1941-1945 in New York, Algiers and other parts of North Africa, Cairo, Corsica and France.

Covered numerous overseas assignments since, including 1948 Olympic Games in London, Big Three conference and was World Picture Coordinator for the world press at 1956 Olympic Games in Melbourne, Australia.

Club activities include membership committee and foreign language dinner program, among others.

Feel that the upcoming move into new and larger quarters offers opportunities for increased participation by the membership in a variety of activities not possible in the present cramped clubhouse.

Club members should be kept fully informed of all future plans affecting major investments before they are made.

All club activities should be measured against the basic concept of the OPC - an organization of active newsmen and foreign correspondents. Spectacular growth is not enough if the name Overseas Press Club no longer provides an accurate description of our club's aims and concepts.

For Governor: Robert Conway (C)



I, Robert Conway, am strictly a newspaperman. I've never been anything else: 1924-1927 on the *N. Y. American*, and since 1928 with the *N. Y. Daily News*, as reporter, writer, political, Washington and foreign correspondent (from 1945 to 1951 in more than twenty-four countries in Europe, Africa and the Near East), and unsalaried president of the N.Y. Newspaper Guild in 1942.

For two years I've been a member of the OPC Board of Governors.

I've been chiefly responsible for the 1958 OPC Constitutional amendment which assures real club elections with two or more candidates for each elective position. I proposed the by-laws change which reduced dues for retired and "over 70" members to the same \$15 annual rate as for overseas members. I favor keeping our clubhouse centrally located, and I'm against grandiose expansion schemes which might change the intimate character or increase club costs beyond reach of working newspapermen.

If you approve of that record, vote for me. If you don't, vote against me. I shan't mind.

For Governor: John de Lorenzi (C)



John de Lorenzi, whose professional and military career has taken him into 27 countries, now works for King Features Syndicate. Before that he carried a typewriter for INS, the Baytown (Tex.) *Sun*, and did some instructing at the University of Missouri School of Journalism. During World War II, was a glider pilot making landings during the invasions of Normandy, Southern France, Holland, etc.

An easy mark for anyone with a pen and an application blank,

he's a member of the N.Y. Newspaper Reporters Association, Deadline Club of New York (SDX), and National Press Club.

Club activities: Presently on three-man New Building Committee which now is blue-print deep in long-range planning on alterations and the mechanics of moving into our new quarters and locating proper tenants. Also as Vice-Chairman of House Operations Committee reduced the price of Martinis and Manhattans (drinkers of the club unite!) and arranged this year's giant OPC-Sigma Delta Chi convention reception. Formerly Vice-Chairman of Constitutional Revision Committee which prepared successful amendment making it mandatory for two or more candidates to be nominated for each office to give members a wider choice. Also one of those who originated and installed present members' charge account system. In past has served on Credit, Nominations, *Dateline* Magazine, Information, House Operations (3 times), Constitutional Revision (twice), Book Night, Annual Awards Dinner, and Annual Awards Dinner Seating committees.

For Governor: Henry Gellerman (C)



Member of the Club: 21 years

Served on: Dinner Committee, Bulletin Committee, Board of Governors (1951-interrupted by Korean War), Member of present Dinner Committee.

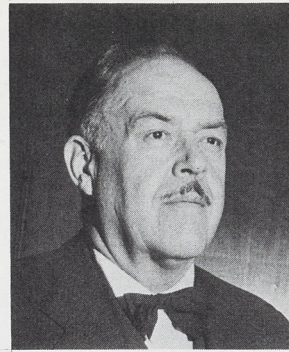
Professional Background: United Press — London, Amsterdam, New York (Financial and Economic).

Military: World War II, Military Intelligence Service ETO; Korean War, Psychological Warfare.

Present Occupation: Director of Public Relations, Bache & Co., Investment Banking House (since 1946).

The move into the new clubhouse will entail large financial expenditures and investment problems; the solution towards which I believe to have the necessary qualifications to be of service to the President, the Club Treasurer, as the Membership.

For Governor: Richard de Rochemont (C)



Born Chelsea, Mass. 1903. Williams and Harvard (A.B. 1928). Reporter Boston *Advertiser*, Sunday features Boston *Herald, Globe, Post* prior to 1928. Reporter New York *American, Sun* 1928-1930.

Paris editor French Movietonews 1931-34, foreign manager March of Time 1934 and chief bureaus Time Inc. London and Paris 1934-40. Accredited Correspondent French Army 1939-40, correspondent with U.S. Forces European — Mediterranean Theater

1944-45. Office of Legion of Honor 1945. Managing Editor, Producer March of Time 1940-51. Produced documentary feature on Vatican. Academy "Oscar" for documentary "A Chance to Live". Produced TV series "Mr. Lincoln" for Omnibus 1952. V.P. (TV) J. Walter Thompson 1953-55. Presently Executive Producer and President of VAVIN Inc.

Joined OPC 1940 as former member *Anglo-American Press* (Paris). Board of Governors 1940-43. Vice-President 1957-58. Board of Governors 1958-59. President OPC Correspondents Fund 1960-61.

Close cooperation between the Fund and the Club should be maintained, with resulting benefits of improved facilities at our new Press Center, but no diminution of the essential and unpublicized services to those of our calling in distress.

For Governor: Irene Kuhn (C)



Irene Corbally Kuhn, who writes a three-times-a-week general comment column for King Features Syndicate, has been a foreign correspondent on five continents. She was a founding member of the OPC and its first vice-president.

An old China hand, she lived in Shanghai where she worked on the *China Press* and later was INS correspondent. Also was INS correspondent in Honolulu and, at another time, columnist on the Honolulu *Star Bulletin*. Her first overseas assignment was on the Paris *Chicago Tribune*, following jobs on Syracuse (N.Y.) *Herald* and New York *News*. Also worked for New York *World-Telegram* and was its roving reporter in England and Scotland.

For more than three years she was NBC correspondent in South and Central America, and Mexico. She has a citation and a China-Burma-India Theatre ribbon from the War Department for wartime reporting in the Pacific for NBC. Recently she has written a column for General Features and Spades syndicates. Her autobiography, *Assignment Adventure*, was an international best-seller; and co-authored *The Enemy Within* with Belgian priest Raymond J. deJaegher, who was forced to flee Communist China. In 1959 she won the Fin-

Twice OPC vice-president, member of Board of Governors several times, a framer of its constitution. Assignments in Turkey, Greece, the Middle East, Scandinavia, Germany, Spain, and Portugal kept her busy the past two years, but now U.S.-based, she plans to devote a great deal of time to OPC.

For Governor: William L. Laurence (C)



Career: *Boston American*, 1914; *N.Y. World* (Morning) 1926-1930; Science Reporter, *N.Y. Times*, 1930-1956; Science Editor, 1956; served as official reporter of atomic bomb project; only newspaperman allowed to visit all secret atomic bomb plants and laboratories, and be present at test of first atomic bomb at Alamogordo, N.M.; also pool correspondent for the world's press with the atomic bomb group at Tinian, from

which Japanese atomic bomb missions took off. Morning newspaper pool correspondent at H-bomb test, Eniwetok, 1956.

Honors and awards: Two Pulitzer prizes (Harvard Tercentenary Conference, 1937; Nagasaki bombing and series on atomic bomb, 1946); Westinghouse Award of the American Association for the Advancement of Science 1946; Lasker, George Polk Award and Page One award, 1950; Grady Gold Medal of American Chemical Society, 1958; two citations from War Department, 1945.

OPC activities: Chairman, Awards Committee, 1958-1959; Board of Governors, 1959; Executive Committee; Guest speaker at various luncheons and dinners.

Author: *Dawn Over Zero* (1946); *The Hell Bomb*, 1951; *Men and Atoms*, 1959.

For Governor: George A. McDonald (C)



Financial writer with New York *World-Telegram & Sun* since 1955. Formerly: Manager, press relations, American Gas Assn.; *Stars & Stripes* and First Division *Bridgehead Sentinel*, 1918-20; Lynn, (Mass.) *Daily Item*, 1914-1916; New York *Evening Sun*, railroad and utility writer, 1934-45. Free lance detective story writer, 1932-46.

Member: American Fiction Guild, 1932-38, serving as New York Chapter president, then as national president; New York Fi-

nancial Writers' Assn. past governor and VP, now treasurer and governor; Society of Silurians.

I have served as an alternate on the OPC board for two terms and am well informed on problems and operations of the Club. I believe I could contribute to the efficient transition from present quarters to our new home from an executive standpoint. In the terms I served as an alternate, I have attended approximately every board meeting called, with the possible exception of one or two dates when I was on assignment. I have served on the Club's publicity committee and on the employment committee; also was vice chairman of the working newspaper division of the fund drive for the Memorial Press Center.

For Governor: Kathleen McLaughlin (C)



Kathleen McLaughlin, born in Greenleaf, Kansas, is a member of the United Nations Staff of the *New York Times*. She has been with *The Times* since 1935, first as a general news reporter and then as the women's editor of the first New York Times women's page. In 1943 she became a correspondent for *The Times* in Western Germany, where she served for five years.

Prior to *The Times*, she was a reporter for the Atchison, Kan., *Daily Globe* and also worked in Chicago as women's editor of the *Chicago Tribune*.

She is a member of the Women's National Press Club in Washington, and was president of the Women's Club of New York Newspaper Women in 1939-40. She has been awarded a scroll by the Women's National Press Club for the best reporting done in 1938.

She has just completed one term as Vice President and has been a member of the OPC Board of Governors, a chairman of the Admissions Committee and Chairman of the Luncheon Committee.

For Governor: Dorothy L. Omansky (C)

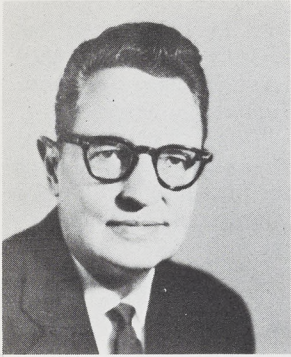


Now based in New York City as Chief of Civil Defense Volunteer Enrollment Service. Work includes writing on semi-technical subjects.

Served Hearst Newspapers and *Good Housekeeping Magazine* overseas; *Time* magazine, *Parents'* magazine, Scripps-Howard Newspapers, and Columbia Broadcasting System locally; as well as press representative for City College and on Mayor's Reception Committee.

Club Work: Since becoming a member in 1940, has served club in many capacities. At present serving on Board of Governors and is Co-Chairman of Programs and Vice-Chairman of Annual Awards Dinner. Has been on Annual Awards Dinner Committee since the beginning of time; "chaired" Hospitality Committee several times, and has been active committee member on Library, Regional Dinner, Book Nite and OPC Memorial Press Center Committees. Extra-curricular activities include Board Membership on both the Manhattan and State Committees of the American Association for the United Nations, etc.

For Governor: William Payette (C)



General sales manager of UPI, he is well grounded in all phases of the communications business, having worked in radio, television, and newspaper fields, and has been a correspondent at home and abroad.

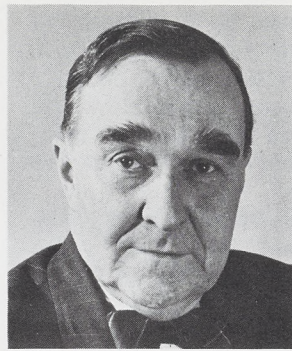
He joined UP when the first radio wire opened in the west. Previously had been reporter on the San Bernardino (Calif.) *Sun*, and editor of the Santa Monica (Calif.) *Topics*. With UP, he worked in Helena and Billings as Montana manager, and in Butte, Seattle and Portland as northwest news editor. Returned to Los Angeles as bureau manager, and since travelled most of the world, reporting from the scene.

In 1949, went to South America as northern division manager establishing the first teletype delivery of news to that area, as well as the first daily overseas Telephoto transmission in the world. Two years later came to New York to organize UP Movietone News. Became assistant general news manager in 1955; was appointed general sales manager Dec. 30, 1959. He is a member of the UPI board of directors.

He is past president of the American Institute of Journalists, a Key Club and life member of Sigma Delta Chi, past president and honorary life member of the Los Angeles Press Club, and a member of Dutch Treat, Players Club, and Society of Silurians.

President of Deadline Club, N.Y. chapter of Sigma Delta Chi; member of OPC Awards Committee 1959 and 1960, and OPC Bulletin committee 1959.

For Governor: Daniel Poling (C)



Editor of *Christian Herald Magazine*.

Chaplain of the interfaith Chapel of Four Chaplains at Temple University in Philadelphia.

President of the World's Christian Endeavor Union.

Recipient of the Medal of Merit (the highest civilian award given by his country) "for extraordinary fidelity and exceptionally meritorious conduct." Recipient of the War Department's citation "for outstanding and conspicuous

service as an accredited war correspondent serving with our Armed Forces in an overseas theater of combat." Recipient of the Benjamin Franklin Award from the U.S. Post Office Department, 1960 "for distinguished and outstanding public service." Recipient of numerous other awards including those of the American Federation of Labor and B'nai B'rith.

Dr. Poling, as a war correspondent, was accredited to his own magazine and to the *Philadelphia Record*. On one tour of duty he was accredited to the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. He wrote special articles for the *Christian Science Monitor*, two articles for *Time* magazine, and a series of articles under the title, "A Preacher Looks at War," which originated in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and appeared in other newspapers. On a tour of Australia and the Southwest he carried a letter of introduction from President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in which he was referred to as "America's spiritual ambassador of good will."

For Governor: Madeline Ross (C)



Free lance writer — contributor to magazines and newspapers. Published cartoonist. Founder-editor for UNRRA in Germany and Austria of a bilingual (French, English), illustrated fortnightly — June 1945 — December 1946 — citation from Gen. Sir Frederick E. Morgan. Special Assistant to Coordinator of Public Affairs for Brussels 1958 World's Fair; named Chief of New York and domestic press. Previously, editorial and administrative posts on national magazines in-

cluding Survey (Graphic) Associates, 1935-50.

Firsts for OPC: As Executive Co-chairman planned and directed the Memorial Campaign 1952-53, for our first Clubhouse at 35 East 39 Street. Received public tribute from Co-chairman Edward R. Murrow and Treasurer Clare Booth Luce; and OPC'S Distinguished Service Award. Initiated and helped organize the first member-photographer exhibit in Time-Life Lounge; photographs contributed form the nucleus of OPC'S "Stairwell Gallery" permanent collection. Initiated and organized first OPC sponsored press trip which toured South America in 1956. As Chairman of Work Tours and Charter Travel 1960-61, organized OPC'S first Charter Flight which leaves for Paris, May 19.

OPC Board Member 1955-57. Served on the following Committees: Hospitality, Regional Dinners, Bulletin, Special Projects, Annual Dinner — Vice-chairman 1955; Co-chairman — Library and Book Nights; Vice-chairman — OPC College Editors Conference 1960 and 1961.

For Governor: Donald Wayne (C)



Managing Editor of *Parade*, national Sunday newspaper supplement.

In his long journalistic career, he has been a reporter, feature writer, magazine freelance, and editor.

War service was with Overseas Branch of OWI, handling news and features and special magazine assignments. Was also Hollywood screen writer, radio writer, and contributor to *Holiday*, *True*, *Pageant*, *Coronet*, and other

national magazines.

Vice-chairman "Who's Who" Committee, OPC, 1959; co-chairman Bulletin Committee at present.

For Governor: Tommy Weber (C)



Tommy Weber was brought along as Thomas E. F. Weber, Jr., some fifty odd years ago on Bank Street in the Village. Pop (TW, Sr.) was a noted cop in New York and his abilities in this direction exercised a great restraint on the OPC's Weber.

New York City public and high schools plus 3 interrupted years at Columbia completed the formal side of the smattering of ignorance, as someone once put it.

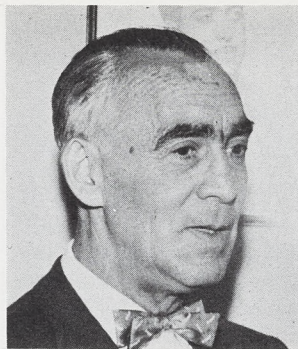
Early jobs were fitted to schooling and were from high class errand boy to qualifying race driver for the late great Harry Miller. Two years in a state police organization ended a line of rather outstanding police endeavor started by my father.

Then to Hearst — police reporter, general assignments, desk man, some rewrite on the *Journal*, later on the *Journal-American* and Special Services of INS. Transition to photography would take a book! Chief photographer for the National Broadcasting Company and then WWII as a war correspondent for *Look*, *Pop Science*, *Colliers* and then the *Time*, Inc. organization. All this in Europe.

From 1945 on have operated under the dual style of "Tommy Weber" for general editorial assignments and as "Standard NEWSpictures" for newspapers and magazines generally.

Probably chief qualification for office at OPC is that I spend more time there than any two members of the Board!

For Governor: Franz Weissblatt (C)



Served with the U.P. in China, Japan and the Philippines. From 1931 to 1945 worked continuously in the Far East for Wire Services. Editor of *Japan Review*; Editor, *Philippine Mining News*; Editor *Philippine Financial News*. Editor and Publisher of *Who's Who in the Philippines*, Volumes 1 and 2.

Self-employed today in the export management and foreign business survey field. Vice President and Treasurer of Scholnik Overseas Corporation.

Founder member of the Manila Overseas Press Club.

Awarded Medal of Freedom in 1946.

Club Activities: Treasurer 1959-1961. Vice-Chairman Budget Committee 1958-59. Member House Operations Committee 1958-59. Annual Awards Dinner Committee 1958. Dateline Committee 1959. Hospitality Committee 1958-59. House Next Door Committee 1959

For Governor: Woodrow Wirsig (C)



Woodrow Wirsig, editor of *Printers' Ink* and *Salesweek* magazines, has spent the last 19 years as a writer and editor for magazines, newspapers, radio and television.

He has been Editor of *Woman's Home Companion*, Executive Editor of *Look*, Managing Editor of *Quick*, Associate Editor of *Ladies' Home Journal*, *Newsweek*, Assistant Editor of *This Week*.

He has been a writer and consultant for CBS Shortwave Radio,

ABC Radio, NBC-TV and ABC-TV.

He was a re-write and feature writer for the Los Angeles *Times*. He has written for such magazines as the *Saturday Evening Post*, *Look*, *Woman's Home Companion*, *Coronet*, *Esquire*, *This Week*, *Maclean's*, *Today's Woman*.

He has been around the world on editorial assignment. And he was co-chairman of the 1961 Dateline committee.

He is editorial consultant to Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey, and is vice president of the communications firm of Lobsenz and Wirsig, Inc.

Among a number of honors he has received in his working career was the Gold Medal of the annual Benjamin Franklin Magazine Awards in 1956.

To The Membership

This special section of *The Overseas Press Bulletin*, containing information about all candidates for election at the Annual Meeting on Apr. 28, is sent to you in accordance with Art. IX of the By-Laws, which directs the Judges of the Election to publish an "information sheet" containing "brief biographies of all nominees" which "may also contain statements by the nominees regarding measures and/or principles which they support." The manner of the candidate's nomination must also be indicated.

Biographies listed in this special section have been compiled on the basis of information made available by the candidates. This material has been assembled, passed upon, and, where necessary, cut, also as provided in the By-Laws, by the Committee of Judges of the Election.

The Committee extends thanks to *The Bulletin* for its cooperation in making this presentation possible.

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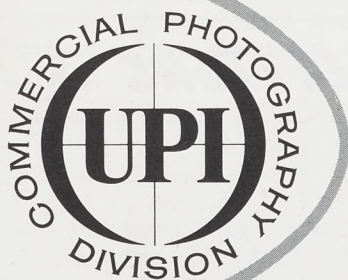
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LONDON.....from JAY AXELBANK

Bob Tuckman, AP news ed here, has been elected secy of the Assn of American Correspondents in London succeeding Leonard Ledington, who resigned recently from AP....Joe Fromm, USN&WR, is the proud papa of a five-pound, eight-ounce baby girl who was named Lisa Josi. Both daughter and mother, Gloria, are doing well.

Noble Robinson, asst exec ed of US-News in Wash, spent a few days in London on Euro-NoAfrica tour....Karol Thaler, UPI, and Tom Ochiltree, AP, have both returned to London from opening round coverage of the nuclear test ban talks in Geneva.

John Wilhelm, former OPC pres and chief of McGrawHillWorldNews, spent a couple of days in London to climax seven-week tour of McGrawHill buos around the world. He came up with an interesting culinary note: some of the best steak, Amer style, was had in Tokyo and he had wonderful Greek food in Paris and Chinese food in London.

RIO.....BRAZIL HERALD

Brazil's Min of Fgn Relations Alfonso Arinos de Mello Franco was guest of honor at a luncheon meeting on Mar 23, at the American Club of OPC's Rio chapt. He was accompanied by Min Carlos Ouro Preto, chief of the political division of Itamaraty, and Secy Dario Castro Alves, chief of the info serv. Pictured here at head table (l. to r.) are: Herbert Moses, Bra-

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zilian Press Assn prexy; Fgn Min Alfonso Arinos; Bill Williamson, pres of the Rio OPC; Edward Butler, AP and OPC-Rio secy-treas; and Denny Davis of UPI.



SAN JUAN..from HORST BUCHHOLZ

With plans for an OPC chapt in San Juan apparently scrapped, some 45 local newsmen last week (Mar. 25) founded the Active Press Assn, a group whose membership will be strictly limited to active newsmen. Members of the first Board of Governors included Harold Lidin, Newswk stringer, and Alex Maldonado, Time mag corr. Both are reporters on the Eng-lang San Juan Star. The APA will be dedicated to "helping professional journalism to better serve the Puerto Rican community."

At the meeting, Sigma Delta Chi member William J. Dorvillier, ed and publ of the Star, expressed hope that a chapt of the fraternity would be established in Puerto Rico before the end of the year.

From the Inter-Amer Press Assn's meeting in Acapulco came a report that a Journalism School of the Americas would be set up here, probably at the U of Puerto Rico. It would be the first and only journalism school on the island. Funds for it were provided for in the will of Angel Ramos, late publ of the Span-lang El Mundo.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS ACTIVE

SAM WAAGENAAR — photographer for PIX, Inc. Proposed by Frank Brutto; seconded by Robert Neville.

ASSOCIATE

SOPHIE BURSTEIN — The Jewish Forum. Proposed by Charles Raddock; seconded by Ruth Karen.

A. BRUCE CAMPBELL — UPI 1939/41 & 1945/46; Huron Daily Plainsman (S.D.) 1946/56. Proposed by John Luter; seconded by Will H. Yolen.

CHARLES W. DOWNS, Jr. — News cameraman. Proposed by Douglas J. Downs; seconded by John Luter.

DAVID KARR — Bell Syndicate 1945/48; Washington Post 1944/5; Transradio Press 1940/43; N.Y. World-Telegram 1936/38; N.Y. Mirror 1935/36. Proposed by John Luter; seconded by Lin Root.

AUGUST L. LOEB — The Southington (Conn.) News since 1941. The Plainville (Conn.) News since 1946; AP 1938/41. Proposed by Ed Cunningham; seconded by John Luter.

MARY KAY MURPHY — NBC. Chicago Tribune 1954/58. Proposed by Ernest A. Ostro; seconded by George A. Heinemann.

ERIC PACE — Life Magazine. Proposed by Roy Rowan; seconded by Frank Gibney.

SOCOLA WILLIAM SPECHT — The Film Daily. UPI 1932/38. Proposed by Tommy Weber; seconded by Oliver Gramling.

PEOPLE & PLACES

TRAVELING: Leo Swaim returned from Poland, Holland, East & West Germany where he made ABC documentary "I Remember" for Bell & Howell Close-Up series....OPC secy Will Yolen, treas Will Oursler (& son Duke Oursler) back from journalistic sortie in Boston....Charles D. Friedlander back from European survey of real estate investment opportunities abroad....Arnold Beichman returned from Portugal. He appears Apr. 16 on John Crosby show (Channel 5) to discuss Mar. Encounter article on press in America....Charles Gillett left yesterday for 3-week trip to cover 6 countries on the Continent to promote more visitor biz for NYC....Clayton Willis, AlbuquerqueTrib, Newswk & ChrSciMon, left for 3-week check in Soviet Union (Moscow, Leningrad & many rural areas) — to return to Albuquerque Apr. 28....

PUBLICATIONS: Julian Bryan has new pix book out called "Warsaw"....Robert Letts Jones had piece on "Visit to 'Half of the World'" (about Isfahan, Iran) in Feb. Explorers Journal....Norman Lobsenz' book "Farewell to Fear" sold British & Scandinavian mag. rights; British book rights sold for spring publication. He's now contracted for new book for Doubleday....Peter Finch had new book "The Ocean Mistress" published by Doubleday....Bill Safire has short story on Tahiti in current Cosmopolitan....First issue of Dick Hudson's new publication War/Peace Report just came out. The new monthly gives "current fact and opinion on progress toward a world of law and order", with lead articles by key political figures.

RADIO-TV: James Fleming hosts on CBS-TV's "Accent" 2-parter Apr. 15 & Apr. 22, 2:30-2:55 pm EST. (NYC dates.)

LETTERS

Editor, Bulletin

The foreign student Nayagam pictured in OPC Bulletin of April 1 looks a bit like a man name of Bob Considine I used to know. Maybe that's because it was the April Fools Day issue.....

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(Ed. Note: The editors were equally confused — and distressed — to learn the gremlins at the printers observed Fools Day with the foto foible!)

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